# Solo Leveling

Art · DUBU(REDICE STUDIO)
Original Novel · Chugong
Story · h-goon

73

THE HUNTERS FROM THE SURVEILLANCE TEAM HAVE ARRIVED.

THE SURVEILLANCE TEAM IS HERE?

LOOKS LIKE SOMETHING'S ABOUT TO GO DOWN.

WHY DID HE APPLY TO BE A MINER?
AND FOR TWO DAYS IN A ROW, AT THAT.

THERE'S NO DENYING THAT SUNG JINWOO IS AN S-RANK.
I WISH HE'D BE MORE CAREFUL, SINCE ALL OF HIS ACTIONS CAN NOW BE SCRUTINIZED...
WHOA, WHAT BRINGS THE SURVEILLANCE AGENTS DOWN HERE?

WE'VE RECEIVED WORD THAT MR. SUNG JINWOO HAS JOINED THE MINING TEAM. MAY I ASK WHERE HE IS?
YOU TOO? DID THAT YOUNG MAN DO SOMETHING WRONG...?

I KNEW IT! I TOLD YOU, DIDN'T I?
IF HE HADN'T BECOME A HUNTER, HE'D HAVE BEEN OUT THERE MURDERING PEOPLE!
WHEN HE TURNED AROUND AND SMILED AT ME, I SAW EVIL IN HIS EYES!

BOY, DID IT SEND CHILLS DOWN MY SPINE. JUST THINKING ABOUT IT IS GIVING ME THE CREEPS.

SO WHERE IS MR. SUNG?
SUNG IS... INSIDE THE GATE RIGHT NOW.

OUR PORTER DIDN'T SHOW UP TODAY, YOU SEE.
NOBODY WAS WILLING TO COVER FOR THEM, SO SUNG VOLUNTEERED AND WENT INSIDE WITH THE STRIKE SQUAD.
FIRST HE WAS A MINER, NOW HE'S A PORTER? HE REALLY IS PECULIAR.
WHAT'S ALL THE FUSS ABOUT ANYWAY?

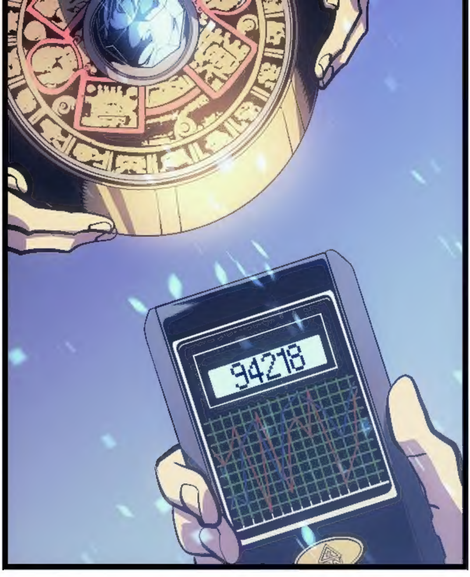
JUST NOW, MS. CHA HAE-IN WENT INSIDE THE GATE LOOKING FOR SUNG AS WELL.
MS. CHA ENTERED THE GATE, TOO?
HE'S EITHER DONE SOMETHING WRONG OR KILLED SOMEONE, HUH?
I KNEW HE WAS CAPABLE OF COMMITTING A CRIME.
YOU'LL FIND OUT TOMORROW. IT'LL BE ON THE NEWS.

SEE, WHAT DID I TELL YOU? THERE WAS SOMETHING OFF ABOUT HIM.
HE DIDN'T SEEM THAT WAY TO ME...
SAME. SUNG WAS A GREAT WORKER.

SHATTER

WHAT IS THIS?!
I SENSE A MALICIOUS ENERGY!

NO WAY... THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE.
IT WAS JUST FOR A SPLIT SECOND, BUT... IT FELT LIKE MY BODY WAS BEING RIPPED TO PIECES.
SIR, DID YOU FEEL THAT JUST NOW...?




WHAT??

THIS IS AN A-RANK GATE OF THE ABSOLUTE HIGHEST LEVEL!

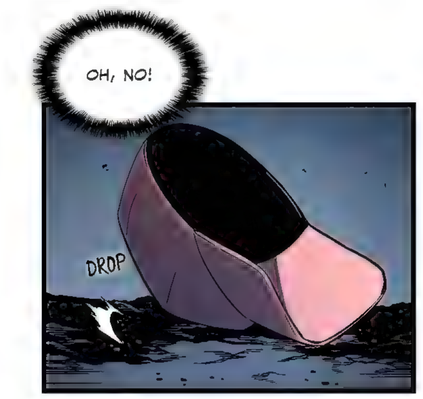
THE ASSOCIATION MUST HAVE MISCALCULATED THE GATE'S MANA LEVEL!

IF A STRIKE SQUAD WAS FORMED BASED ON THE RANK POSTED BY THE ASSOCIATION, WE'VE GOT A POTENTIAL CRISIS ON OUR HANDS.

TWO S-RANKS WENT INSIDE, SO THINGS SHOULD BE OKAY, BUT...

*WE MUST ENTER AT ONCE.*

SON KIHOON'S TEAM KILLED ALL THESE HIGH ORCS?
HOW WERE THEY ABLE TO DEFEAT ALL OF THEM?


OH, NO!
DROP

IF THESE MANA WAVES ARE COMING FROM THE BOSS, NOT A SINGLE PERSON FROM SON KIHOON'S TEAM WILL BE ABLE TO SURVIVE.

HOW DO YOU PLAN ON FIGHTING AGAINST MY ARMY WITH JUST A COUPLE OF SOLDIERS?

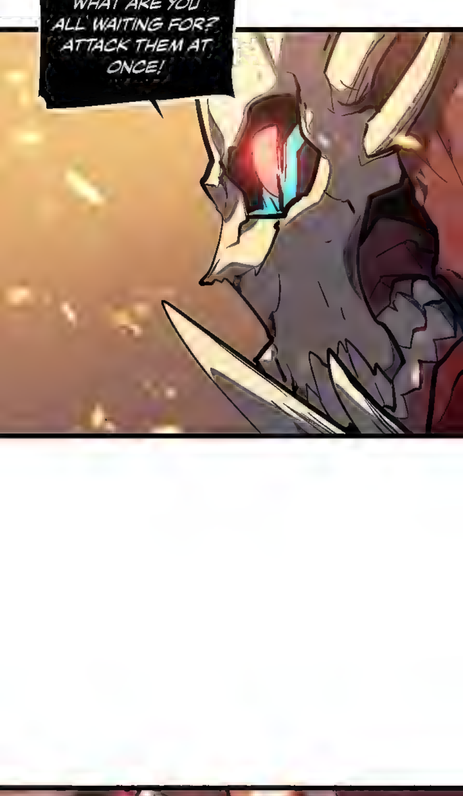
YOU'RE GOING TO REGRET...


...LOOKING DOWN ON ME AND MY SHADOWS.

[SKILL "MONARCH'S DOMAIN" HAS BEEN ACTIVATED.]
WHOOSH

[SHADOW SOLDIERS FIGHTING WITHIN THE SHADOW OF THEIR SUMMONER WILL RECEIVE A 50% STAT INCREASE.]
THIS IS A NEW JOB-SPECIFIC SKILL I OBTAINED AFTER REACHING LEVEL 70 AT THE DEMONS' CASTLE.
MY SHADOW SOLDIERS HAVE GROWN MORE POWERFUL SINCE THEN.

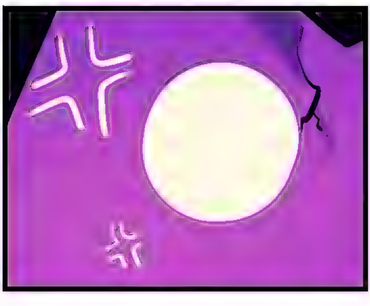
WHAT IS GOING ON?
THIS DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE!
EVEN I CAN'T SUMMON MORE THAN TWO BEASTS...
HOW IS A HUMAN BEING CAPABLE OF WIELDING SUCH DARK MAGIC...?

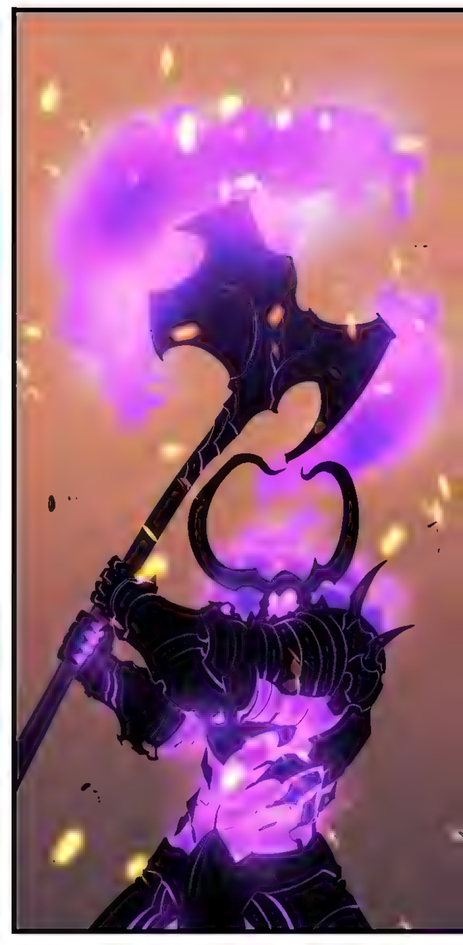

WHAT ARE YOU ALL WAITING FOR? ATTACK THEM AT ONCE!

[IRON HAS USED SKILL: SHOUT OF PROVOCATION!]

ROOOAR

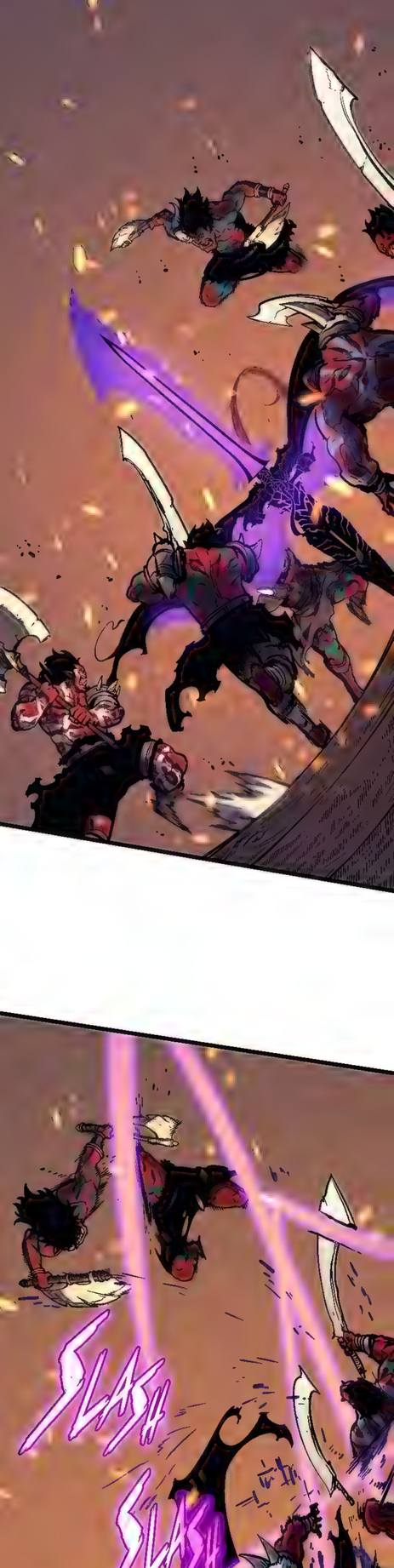
[THE OPPONENT CANNOT BE PROVOKED BECAUSE THEIR SKILL LEVEL IS TOO HIGH.]

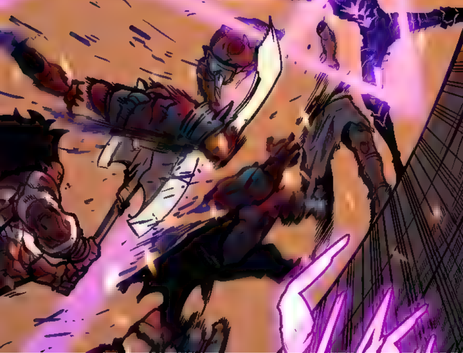


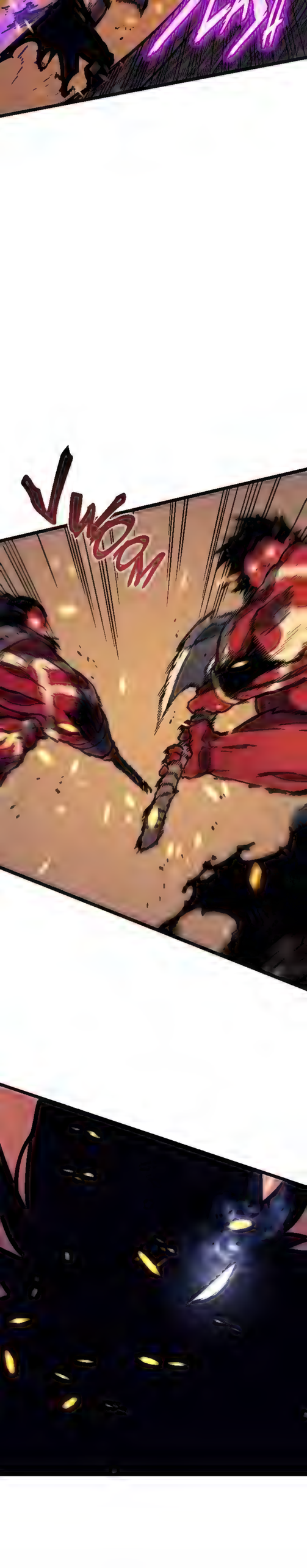


SLAAAAM

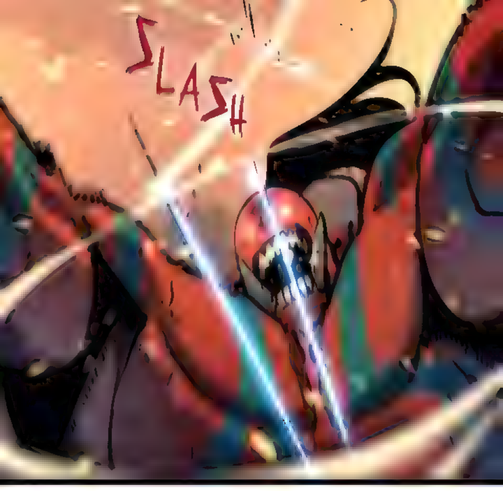
RAISE



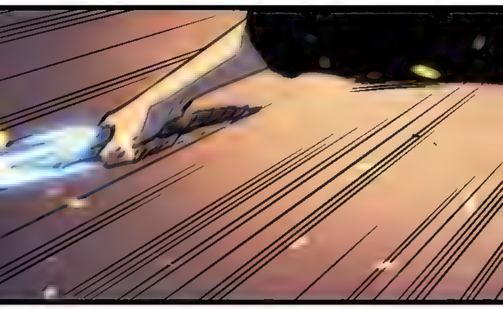

SLASH
SLASH

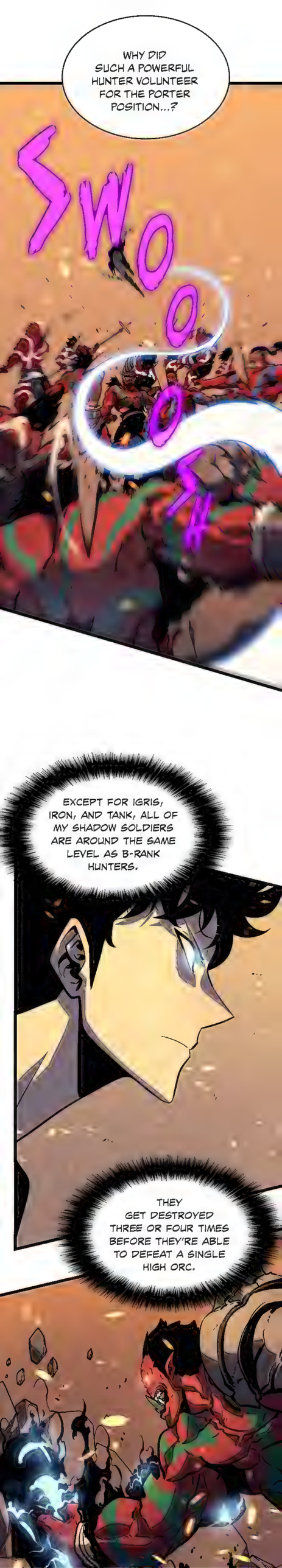

VWOOM

SLICE
SLASH
WOOM


SLASH

THAT'S...!
YES,
HE'S JUST LIKE
OUR VICE GUILD
MASTER...




WHY DID SUCH A POWERFUL HUNTER VOLUNTEER FOR THE PORTER POSITION...?
SWOOOSH
EXCEPT FOR IGRIS, IRON, AND TANK, ALL OF MY SHADOW SOLDIERS ARE AROUND THE SAME LEVEL AS B-RANK HUNTERS.
THEY GET DESTROYED THREE OR FOUR TIMES BEFORE THEY'RE ABLE TO DEFEAT A SINGLE HIGH ORC.

THE HIGH ORCS' ARMY IS ALSO MORE THAN THREE TIMES THE SIZE OF MINE. I HAVE TO TAKE OUT AS MANY OF THEM AS I CAN!

HYMN OF THE FIRE DRAGON.
KABOOM

WHAT THE?! MY SHADOW SOLDIERS...!

HOW FOOLISH OF YOU TO ACT ALL HIGH AND MIGHTY WHEN YOUR LITTLE PUPPETS ARE DOING ALL YOUR WORK.

HIGH AND MIGHTY? SPEAK FOR YOURSELF.

MY SHADOWS WILL REGENERATE INFINITELY AS LONG AS I HAVE MANA.
FSHHH

IT DOESN'T MATTER IF THEY REGENERATE. YOU WILL RUN OUT OF MANA SOONER OR LATER.

THE SPEED AT WHICH MY WARRIORS KILL YOUR SHADOWS WILL DRAIN YOUR MANA.

YOU'RE GOING TO DIE BEFORE THAT HAPPENS.

HYMN OF PROTECTION.
THERE'S NO USE. WHILE YOU WASTE YOUR TIME, YOUR SOLDIERS WILL CONTINUE TO DECREASE IN NUMBERS.

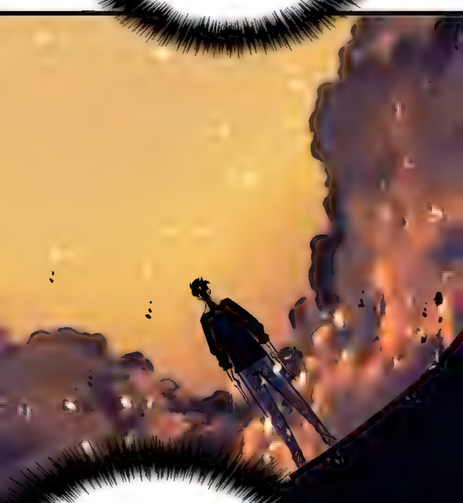
YOU SURE ABOUT THAT?
SCREECH

I'VE GOT SOME PRETTY STRONG SHADOWS OVER THERE, TOO.

I DON'T THINK YOU SHOULD BE WORRYING ABOUT MY MANA RESERVES RIGHT NOW.

THEN I SHALL ONCE AGAIN DESTROY ALL OF YOUR SOLDIERS WITH A SINGLE BLOW.
VWOOM
HYMN OF BLAZING FIRE.

THIS BOSS IS STRONGER THAN VULCAN OR METUS.



METUS WAS ABLE TO CONTROL THOUSANDS OF UNDEAD SOLDIERS, BUT HIS DEFENSES WERE WEAK.

ON THE OTHER HAND, KARGALGAN'S DEFENSES ARE EXCEPTIONAL AND HIS SORCERY POWERS ARE STRONG AS WELL.

TO TOP IT OFF, BEHIND ME ARE OVER 100 HIGH ORCS. I'M GROSSLY OUTNUMBERED, AND YET I MUST FIGHT THESE ORCS IN HAND-TO-HAND COMBAT.

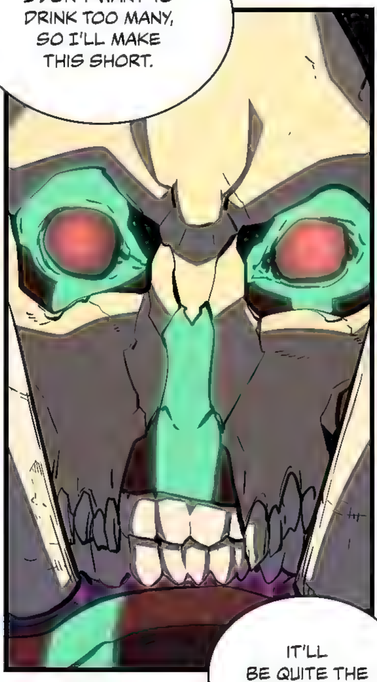
BUT THIS ISN'T THE JOB CHANGE QUEST. THE CIRCUMSTANCES ARE DIFFERENT THIS TIME.

INVENTORY.

I'M ABLE TO USE POTIONS IN HERE,

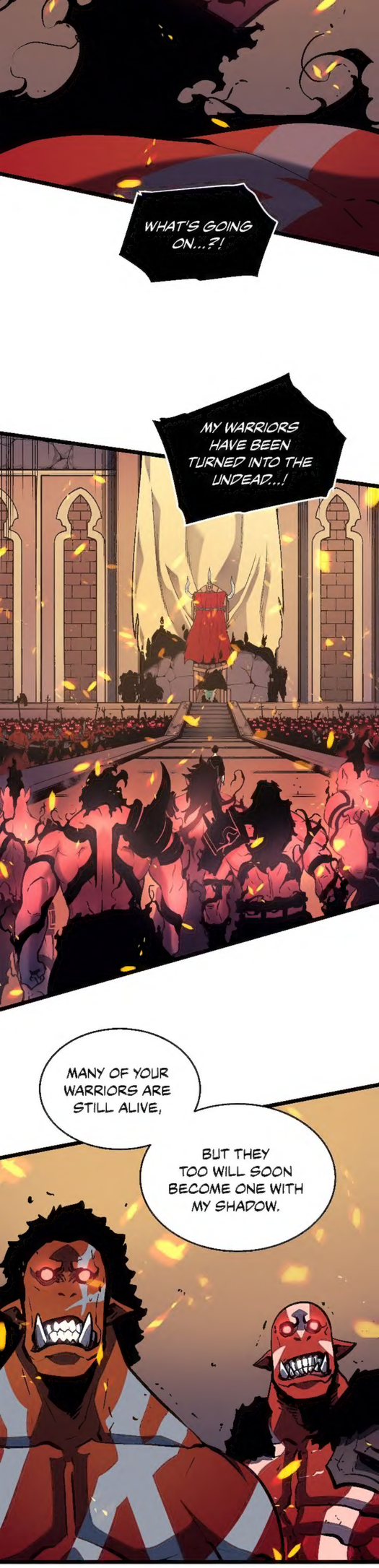
WHICH MEANS I CAN REPLENISH MY MANA WHENEVER I WANT TO.

I DON'T WANT TO DRINK TOO MANY, SO I'LL MAKE THIS SHORT.



IT'LL BE QUITE THE SPECTACLE.

I'LL SHOW YOU THE TRUE POWERS OF A NECROMANCER.


WHAT'S GOING ON...?!
MY WARRIORS HAVE BEEN TURNED INTO THE UNDEAD...!
MANY OF YOUR WARRIORS ARE STILL ALIVE,
BUT THEY TOO WILL SOON BECOME ONE WITH MY SHADOW.

AND
ULTIMATELY...

...YOU WILL
AS WELL.

IMPOSSIBLE...

COULD HE BE...?!

Am

To Be Continued...

D&C WEBTOON

**Translator:** JJoelle

**Editor:** Michelle Kim